

The Merchants Who Please the Public.

Stockton & Co.

Stores at Court and Commercial and 298-300 Commercial Streets

Our busy stores are always on the alert for the benefit of their countless patrons in securing and offering bargains, which is reflected by the steady and most gratifying increase in business. We own more goods than any other firm in the city, and we are doing much for the public in the way of keeping prices down.



Ladies Kid Gloves

A full line of colors, including black in all sizes. Fitted by our expert fitters.

Special 75c a Pair.

Ladies heavy gloves, in all colors except black. Regular \$1.25 values, fitted and guaranteed.

Special 98c a Pair

Ladies' driving gauntlets, in reds and brown, all sizes. Regular \$1.25 values. Special \$1.05 a Pair

Ladies Suits and Wraps At Sacrifice Prices

We have at each of our stores extensive stocks of ready-to-wear goods of all kinds, which we are desirous of closing out before Jan. 1. So we have cut the prices so low that every lady can afford a new suit for the holidays.

Your Money's Worth or Your Money Back.

Dissolution Notice.

The partnership heretofore existing between N. J. Damon and A. O. Damon, under the firm name of Damon Bros., is this day dissolved by mutual agreement. N. J. Damon retires from the firm, having sold his interest to W. W. Fawk. The business will continue under the old firm name of Damon Bros. An early settlement of all accounts due the firm is requested.

Very respectfully,
N. J. DAMON,
A. O. DAMON.

MARRIED.

MORGAN—CONNOR.—At the city, December 7, 1903, at 2 p. m. J. W. Connor, of Polk county, to Miss Mary Morgan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cal Morgan, of this city, Judge N. J. Judah, officiating. The bride and groom will make their home at Sheridan.

WHEAT MARKETS.

Chicago, Dec. 7.—Wheat 81 1/2 @ 82 1/2c.

Gold Dust Flour

Made by THE SIDNEY POWER COMPANY, Sidney, Oregon. Made for family use. Ask your grocer for it. Bran and shorts always on hand.

A. T. Waln, Agt.

Fresh NAVAL ORANGES Today —AT—

Fleur de Lis

Edward Ellis, 144 State St.

Potatoes, Potatoes, POTATOES

Call and see us before you sell your Crop James M. Kyle & Co 175 Commercial St.

"Portland and Return Only \$2.20."

The Southern Pacific is now selling round trip tickets to Portland from Salem for \$2.20, good going Saturday or Sunday, returning Sunday and Monday, giving all day Sunday and Monday in Portland. The same arrangement applies from Portland, giving all Portland people a chance to visit valley points at greatly reduced rates.

W. E. COMAN, G. P. A. eod

Attention, Yeoman.

Regular meeting Tuesday night, at 8 p. m., at U. V. U. hall. Business of importance. CHAS. ELGIN, Correspondent.

Electric Hand Lamps

The most convenient thing of the sort ever invented. Robs the walk home in the dark of its terrors, for you simply need to press the button, and the dark corner is lighted. Come in and ask to see them.

All sorts of sundries for the wheel all the time. We carry a full line the year around. Gas lamps for your wheel. Carbide, 2 pounds for 25c. Mud guards for all sorts of wheels. Bicyclists' rubber capes for stormy weather.

F. A. WIGGINS Implement House.

250-257 Liberty St., Salem. Farm Machinery, Bicycles, Automobiles, Sewing Machines and Supplies. N. H. Burley. Sewing Machine Repairing.

Collections

Of bad accounts. Prompt service. No collections, no charges

VAN ALSTINE, GORDON & CO., Suite 4 275 1/2 Commercial St., Phone Main 801. A. R. MORGAN & CO., Managers

KNOX MAKES REPORT

Wants Laws Changed Concerning Limitations

Would Have Immigrants Thoroughly Described, and This Description Made of Record

Washington, Dec. 7.—Attorney-General Knox submitted to congress his annual report today. He discussed at length the recently discovered naturalization frauds, and says all prosecutions will be vigorously pressed. He emphasized the need for the reform and change of existing laws, including more stringent measures against violators; wants the laws amended so that all aliens, on arriving, must give complete information, undergo full physical examination and registration, and when they apply for citizenship papers must present these. The government must furnish uniform certificates, not only of such registration, but also each of the final citizenship papers must contain in legal form a full physical description of the one to whom they are issued, for the purpose of identification, and, to prevent substitution, the certificate should be printed in Washington, containing government watermarks, and the unlawful possession or counterfeiting should be made an offense against the government. Knox also recommends an appropriation of half a million dollars for the prosecutions of land frauds, postal crimes and naturalization frauds, and says a grave condition exists; in some cases vast portions of the public lands have been fraudulently acquired, through perjuries and forgeries, and similar measures violate the postal laws. He wants the criminal laws amended so as to extend to the federal government the right of appeal, especially when the lower court sustains a demurrer to indictments; he also wants

GRAND OPERA HOUSE

JOHN F. CORDRAY, Mgr. Monday, Dec. 7

Nothing but Bank Notes Gold and Laughter. Elmer Walter's Latest Scenic Sensation.

A Millionaire Tramp

SEE the Great Church Scene, the Old Hotel, the Country Opera house, the Village Depot. HEAR the Choir of the Church of the Holy Cross, the Song of the Christmas revelers. Nothing like it ever presented. Some things so very different. Prices—75c, 50c, 35c. Seats on sale at box office, Monday at 9 a. m.

Tuesday, Dec. 8

THE CARPENTERS COMPANY. GREAT PRODUCTION.

A Little Outcast

A beautiful story of woman's love and devotion. Metropolitan Cast. The Grandest Scenic. Production Ever Seen. Nothing on the road this season will surpass this magnificent play. Prices—75c, 50c, 35c. Seats on sale at box office Tuesday at 9 a. m.

4 Nights Commencing, Wednesday Dec. 9

Wiedmann's Big Show

In A Repertoire of The Latest Successes. COMPANY OF 25 PEOPLE. Superb Band and Orchestra. High Class Vaudeville Between Acts "Something Doing" All The Time. OPENING BILL. The 4 act Sensational Comedy.

"Tennessee's Pardner"

Change of Bill Each Night. Sale of seats opens Wednesday at 9 a. m. Prices, 15c, 25c, 35c.

the statute of limitation extended to five years, instead of three. He makes special reference to recent land and postal cases, where the alleged violators were protected by the statute of limitations, and says the minimum of such limitations should be five years, and a greater time would not be inconsistent. He recommends the abolishment of the office of assistant attorney-general of the postoffice, and that the place be filled by an attorney designated as solicitor for the postoffice department, to be appointed by the President and some officer of the department of justice. At present this appointment is made by the postmaster-general. The report then reviews the cases of the past year, numbering 16,000, the greater portion of which are for violation of the revenue laws.

Killed by Gamekeeper.

Madrid, Dec. 7.—During the royal shooting excursion today a shepherd was killed by a gamekeeper's gun. One report received here is that the victim bore a grudge against a member of the king's household, and attempted to kill him, when the gamekeeper rushed forward and shot the would-be assassin. Alfonso was much affected by the affair, and returned to the city immediately, accompanied by Premier Maurs. Both went to the palace.

NEW TODAY

Salesmen Wanted—Everywhere to solicit orders for general line of nursery stock and seeds. Brown Bros., Rochester, N. Y. 12-7-31*

Lost—A silver bracelet. Finder leave at Journal office. 12-7-31

Wanted—At once; a housekeeper on farm, eight miles south of Salem; no family. Address S. R. Jones, R. F. D. No. 8. 12-7-01

Oregon Fire Relief Association

Oregon's Great Mutual Insurance Co. \$15,440,588 insurance at risk. Safe, economical insurance for the people. Head office, McMinnville, Or. H. A. JOHNSON, Agent for Marion Co. Salem, Oregon.

Furs

High grade furs—fakers beauties that suggest a frosty Xmas in face of winter's blinding blasts. We have the best the market affords at prices as high as \$35 each, and for every dollar expended on furs here you receive more than a hundred cents' worth of style and satisfaction.

UMBRELLAS FOR CHRISTMAS



Of course you will have an umbrella on your list. Here you will find the best line in town to select from. Handies and covers the prettiest and best, and prices take little jumps from 75c to \$6.00 each. Make your selection early.

SUIT CASES. If your friend travels much, give him a suit case a Christmas gift. We were never better equipped to supply your needs in this line. Prices from

\$3.50 to \$15

Sabrymple's

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE A STRONG ONE

The President's message to congress was read today, and proves to be quite up to the average of that document, though somewhat long, containing about 16,000 words. The message begins with commendation of the new department of commerce, and the bureau of corporations, which the President thinks will be an useful factor in settling disputes between capital and labor. It says: "The purpose of this bureau is not to embarrass or assail legitimate business, but to aid in bringing about a better industrial condition—a condition under which there shall be obedience to law and recognition of public obligation by all corporations, great or small."

On the subject of capital and labor he says: "The consistent policy of the national government, so far as it has the power, is to hold in check the unscrupulous man, whether employer or employee; but to refuse to weaken individual initiative or to hamper or cramp the industrial development of the country. We recognize that this is an era of federation and combination, in which great capitalistic corporations and labor unions have become factors of tremendous importance in all industrial centers."

There is a falling of in revenues of about thirty millions a year. He recommends that the secretary of the navy, attorney-general and secretary of commerce and labor, with a representation from the senate and house of representatives be made a commission to investigate and recommend such legislation as may be necessary for the development of the American merchant marine.

He recommends the closest watch over immigration, that undesirable classes may be kept out, and the rigid enforcement of the naturalization laws.

He also devotes considerable space to the public land and postal frauds, and the need of treaties making bribery extraditable.

The Alaskan boundary question is dealt with extensively, as is the matter claims against Venezuela. The advancement of the cause of arbitration is commended, and considerable space is devoted to recommending an international agreement by which all private property at sea, excepting contraband of war, be exempt from capture or destruction by belligerent powers.

Of especial interest to Oregon is the mention of the Lewis and Clark fair, as follows: "I trust that congress will continue to favor in all proper ways the Louisiana Purchase Exposition. This exposition commemorates the Louisiana purchase, which was the first great step in the expansion which made us a continental nation. The expedition of Lewis and Clark across the continent followed thereon, and marked the beginning of the process of exploration and colonization which thrust our national boundaries to the Pacific. The acquisition of the Oregon territory, including the present states of Oregon and Washington, was a fact of immense importance in our history; first giving us our place on the Pacific seaboard, and making ready the way for our ascendancy in the commerce of the greatest of the oceans. The centennial of our establishment upon the western coast by the expedition of Lewis and Clark is to be celebrated at Portland, Oregon, by an exposition in the summer of 1905, and this event should receive recognition and support from the national government."

Irrigation and forest reserves are given thoughtful attention, and their importance is urged upon the attention of congress.

Concerning the army, and probably moved thereto by the General Woods incident, attention is called to the system of promotion, under which no distinguished merit can advance, and no demerit, short of a court-martial offense, can retard. A change is strongly recommended.

It is strongly urged that the navy be further strengthened and increased.

Nearly one-fourth of the entire message is devoted to the Panama canal, and the recent treaty made with Panama is exploited.

"When the congress directed that we should take the Panama route under treaty with Colombia, the essence of the condition, of course, referred not to the government which controlled that route, but to the route itself; to the territory across which the route lay, not to the name which for the moment the territory bore on the map. The purpose of the law was to authorize the President to make a treaty with the power in actual control of the Isthmus of Panama. This purpose has been fulfilled."

DON'T FORGET

That THE FAIR STORE is located at No. 274 Commercial Street, and that we carry the largest stock of toys and holiday goods in Salem, at prices that can't be beat. We have express wagons, hobby horses, wheel barrows, doll carriages, children's rocking chairs, toy trunks, drums, horns, tops, banks, tool chests, air guns, boats, toy furniture, doll houses, Christmas tree ornaments and, in fact, everything in that line. We have the best values in dolls ever seen in Salem.

THE FAIR STORE 274 Commercial Street

CHICAGO STORE PEOPLES BARGAIN HOUSE

Holiday Goods Now On Exhibition

Neither time nor money has been spared in gathering together the most complete assortment of useful Christmas presents that was ever shown in the Willamette valley. Economy is always the first thought of our buyers, to be always able to give reliable, up-to-date goods to our customers at the smallest margin of profit. Xmas is near at hand, so we would strongly advise our patrons to make their purchases ahead of the big rush, as there will be a regular scramble during the last week. We allow no competition to beat our prices, so we ask you to carefully read over the following list of goods, which is now ready for your inspection:

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| Black Silks | Umbrellas | Dress Trimmings |
| Colored Silks | Silk Handkerchiefs | Table Linens |
| Black Dress Goods | Silk Mufflers | Towels |
| Colored Dress Goods | Fancy Handkerchiefs | Napkins |
| Silk Waistings | Linen Handkerchiefs | Calicoes |
| Mercerized Waistings | Knit Wool Shawls | Ginghams |
| Wool Waistings | Pocketbooks | Outing Flannels |
| Fur Scarfs | Fancy Belts | Blankets |
| Fur Collarettes | Wrist Bags | Comforts |
| Ladies' Jackets | Neck Chains | Bed Spreads |
| Ladies' Capes | Jewelry | Hosiery |
| Black Underskirts | Ribbons | |
| Black Velvets | Laces | E Underwear |
| Colored Velvets | Embroideries | Men's Neckwear |
| Corduroy Velvets | Medallion Laces | Suspenders |
| Metallic Velvets | Silk Laces | Silk Waists |
| Kid Gloves | Cape Lace Collars | Wool Waists |
| Wool Gloves | Hose Supporters | Men's Sweaters |
| Cloth Gloves | Notions | Men's Dress Shirts |
| Leather Gloves | Corsets | Men's Hats |

And hundreds of other things too numerous to mention.

THE CHEAPEST STORE IN THE NORTHWEST. M'Evoy Brothers, Court Street, Salem, Ore.

The Up-to-Date Holiday Stock Has Come

Our bright sparkling line of Christmas gifts is ready for inspection. Our stock this season is four times larger than ever before, and with pride and confidence in variety, we invite you to look through our up-to-date line of Diamonds, Watches, Cut Glass, Silverware, Jewelry, Clocks novelties. There are hundreds of articles that we have not space to enumerate.

If you want to buy right, if you want to be treated right, make our store your headquarters for Christmas buying, if you are at a loss to know what to buy, we have clerks who will show you our line, and you will find our prices right. Our diamond plan will interest you, as you can't lose anything on your investment. Whether you buy or not come in and see our different lines.

Chas. H. Hinges, Jeweler and Optician, 88 State Street.